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For: **PROGRAMMED I/O ETHERNET ADAPTER WITH EARLY INTERRUPTS FOR  
ACCELERATING DATA TRANSFER**

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- European Patent No. 0 577 115, issued 11/2/2000 (sr. no. 93110478.0)
- Japanese Patent No. 2767085, issued 4/10/1998 (sr. no. 1993-157562)
- Korean Patent Application No. 93-11176, filed 6/18/1993

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- Australian Patent No. 674341, issued 4/9/1997 (sr. no. 1993-049300)
- Australian Patent No. 675501, issued 5/26/1997 (sr. no. 1994-059873)
- Canadian Patent No. 2,143,951, issued 1/2/2001 (sr. no. 2,143,951)
- European Patent No. 0 660 955, issued 11/15/2000 (sr. no. 93921684.2)
- European Patent No. 0 682 791, issued 9/5/2007 (sr. no. 94905972.9)
- Australian Patent No. 666769, issued 6/11/1996 (sr. no. 1993-047881)
- Canadian Patent No. 2,119,151, issued 5/1/2001 (sr. no. 2,119,151)
- Japanese Patent No. 3863912, issued 10/6/2006 (sr. no. 2006-504767)
- Australian Patent No. 659031, issued 9/7/1995 (sr. no. 1993-047878)
- Canadian Patent No. 2,119,153, issued 1/30/2001 (sr. no. 2,119,153)
- European Patent No. 0 607 412, issued 1/27/1999 (sr. no. 93918424.8)
- Australian Patent No. 654921, issued 3/14/1995 (sr. no. 1993-047867)
- Canadian Patent No. 2,119,152, issued 10/31/2000 (sr. no. 2,119,152)

- European Patent No. 0 606 462, issued 9/15/1999 (sr. no. 93918401.6)
- Japanese Patent No. 3339860, issued 8/16/2002 (sr. no. 2006-504758)
- Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-282538, filed 9/28/2005
- Japanese Patent Application No. 2006-518024, filed 12/28/1993
- Japanese Patent No. 2584957, issued 11/21/1996 (sr. no. 2006-508372)
- Japanese Patent Application No. 6-504765, filed 7/27/1993
- European Patent Application No. 93918428.9, filed 7/27/1993
- Canadian Patent No. 2,152,392, issued 11/7/2000
- PCT Application No. PCT/US93/12652, filed 12/28/1993
- PCT Application No. PCT/US93/08866, filed 9/17/1993
- PCT Application No. PCT/US93/07060, filed 7/27/1993
- PCT Application No. PCT/US93/07056, filed 7/27/1993
- PCT Application No. PCT/US93/07027, filed 7/27/1993
- Korean Patent No. 186928, issued 12/30/1998 (sr. no. 1995701048)
- Korean Patent No. 161101, issued 8/21/1998 (sr. no. 1995703189)

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Respectfully submitted,



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